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| Application Number     | 09/850,338   |
| Filing Date            | May 7, 2001  |
| First Named Inventor   | Marko Schuba |
| Art Unit               | 2132         |
| Examiner Name          | Dinh, Minh   |
| Attorney Docket Number | P13427US1    |

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    - ☒ Other: Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on June 9, 2005
  - ☐ Enclosed
    - ☐ Amendment/Reply
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    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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| FY 2005<br>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (P.L. 109-105))  |           | P13427US1                |           |
| Application Number 09/850,338   |           | Filed 05/07/2001         |           |
| For Marko Schuba  |           |                          |           |
| Art Unit 2132   |           | Examiner Dinh, Minh      |           |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.  |           |                          |           |
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